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This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated October 13, 2009, concerning the above-referenced patent application. Submitted herewith is a copy of the certified English translation of the priority document. The Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time to make the submission of this reply timely.

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